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P050. How to get involved with the Research into Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science (ROTOS) Foundation's projects and activities



Research in Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science Foundation



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What is ROTOS?
The Research into Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science (ROTOS) Foundation was founded on 11th March 2020. The ROTOS Foundation is a registered charity in the Netherlands.

ROTOS' Vision: Improving European citizens' lives through occupation centred research and science by having one strong voice for occupational therapy and occupational science research.

The ROTOS Foundation Board



Strategic plan 2020-2023

Overall Strategic Aim: That knowledge from Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science research will be appropriately used to inform and shape European policy and practice, through the establishment of a strong European profile of Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science researchers, that both strengthens occupation-centred knowledge generation and supports access to this knowledge for the benefit for all Europeans.

Strategic aim 1: Establish occupation as powerful knowledge domain : To use current research and evidence, and supporting development of further research, by bringing together established researchers and encouraging a strong voice regarding Occupational Therapy research at all levels.

Strategic aim 2: Use occupational therapy and occupational science research outcomes for advocacy and to influence policy development: To develop research leaders confident in promoting the outcomes of Occupational Therapy, Occupational Science and interdisciplinary occupation-centred research as beneficial to the lives and occupational wellbeing of individuals and communities.

Strategic aim 3: To build strong collaborations to achieve the ROTOS Foundation's vision. To achieve a sustainable ROTOS Foundation and create a strong research community linking researchers to practitioners, educators and other researchers, through facilitating working across boundaries in the European context.

How to get involved with the ROTOS Action Plan:

- ♦ Join the ROTOS network
- ♦ Contribute to a ROTOS webinar
- ♦ Support writing documents (evidence base summary, call to maximising the impact of occupational therapy and occupational science research, translating research knowledge into practice).
- ♦ Mentor occupational therapy and occupational science researchers in Europe
- ♦ Help identify priorities for occupational therapy and occupational science research and pedagogical research in Europe
- ♦ Contribute to leadership for occupational therapy and occupational science research
- ♦ Engage in fundraising activities to support ROTOS projects and actions

